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PRESIDENT'S THOUGHTS

Our first workday of 2022 was held on Saturday, April 30 with almost 20 residents, friends and children attending. This group did an amazing job accomplishing the following:

- Cleared culverts at the four-way Stop sign
- Removed trees/roots on the dam
- Picked up trash throughout the lake
- Filled potholes on Deer Drive
- Raked invasive grasses on the Gold Beach
- Expanded spawning beds
- Prepared tarp for covering invasive grasses
- Mulched
- Cleaned pavilion/adjoining rooms
- Cut back poison ivy around the pavilion
- Cut grass around the pavilion

After a morning of hard work, everyone enjoyed a delicious potluck. A very special shout out to everyone who turned out and to Christie Langdon, our chef for the day.

I also want to thank those residents who have been volunteering time on a regular basis to help keep our community beautiful. Due to their efforts, we were able to accomplish so much more on Workday.

If you're interested in volunteering an hour of your time, there are several ongoing projects you can become involved with. Or, if you have ideas for improving our surroundings, please email OrchidLake1@gmail.com.

See you around the Lake,
Debbie Blanchard, President

To see what you missed at our April Workday, please visit www.orchidlake.net for photos of the event.

DON'T FORGET

If you notice any muskrat activity around the lake, please email OrchidLake1@gmail.com immediately!

Annual Dues are due now! If you have a problem meeting your obligation, please email OrchidLake1@gmail.com for information on how to set up a payment plan.

If you have ideas, questions, or concerns, please email OrchidLake1@gmail.com to share your thoughts.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CPR CERTIFIED?

Plans are underway to hold a CPR/AED and First Aid Class for interested residents in May/June (date to be determined). The class will be on a Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to Noon. Participants must be 12 or older, and the class will be limited to seven (7) individuals. If you'd like to get your certification, email OrchidLake1@gmail.com to sign up. Provide your name, address and phone number.

Depending on the response, a second class may be scheduled.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Work is underway on a calendar of events for the summer. These events are open to all residents and lot owners. Attendees are welcome to bring a brown bag lunch to enjoy with fellow residents after an event.

SUMMERTIME TIPS TO KEEP YOU SAFE AT THE LAKE

It's summertime and since many of us are outside enjoying the beautiful weather and our facilities, here are three important things to note to keep everyone safe.

1. The speed limit on all Orchid Lake roads is 15 MPH.
2. No parking on any OLE roads
3. Unregistered motorized vehicles are prohibited from using the roadways within Orchid Lake Estates.
4. Use of all beaches and facilities is at your own risk.

PAVILION AVAILABLE FOR USE

Did you know that as a resident/lot owner at Orchid Lake, you are permitted private use of the Pavilion for small gatherings and parties? To check availability/reserve the Pavilion email OrchidLake1@gmail.com. A deposit of \$100 by check must be placed with the Treasurer or Secretary of OLE.

The following are requirements for using the Pavilion for a private event:

1. The sponsoring OLE member must be an active participant of the group sponsored, a member in good standing (dues are current) and must be present at all times during the activity.
2. The sponsoring OLE member is responsible for all actions of the group. Guests must comply with OLE Rules and Regulations.
3. Gatherings larger than 20 people will require special approval from the Board.
4. Renters must get approval from the member (property owner) to reserve the Pavilion.

Once the event has occurred, the check will be returned/destroyed to the resident/lot owner if the following is done:

1. The Pavilion is left with all facilities clean and functioning.
2. ***All trash from the event has been removed and disposed of by the resident/lot owner.***
3. Should any repairs, cleaning or replacements be required, the \$100 deposit will be used to cover the cost of those services.
4. Any expenses over the \$100 deposit will be the sole responsibility of the member who reserved the Pavilion and will be billed accordingly.